Sustainable Development Innovations Fund

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review

2007-2008 Departmental Expenditure Estimates

Manitoba

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

2007 - 2008 EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES

PREFACE

The 2007 Budget is the first Summary Budget produced by the Government of Manitoba that aligns with the accounting standards set by the Public Sector Accounting Board that require provincial governments to report on the broader definition of government, the Government Reporting Entity (GRE).

While the budget is presented on a summary basis, the structure of the Estimates of Expenditure and Revenue remain unchanged from prior years. Please see the schedules in the 2007 Budget document that provide the reconciliation between the estimates and the summary budget as well as a listing of the entities included in the GRE.

This document is intended to provide additional information to the members of the Legislature in their review of information on the department contained in the Estimates of Expenditure for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008.

This document has been produced by the Department of Conservation as a supplement to its Printed Estimates of Expenditure. It is intended to provide background information on the Sustainable Development Innovations Fund which should complement the information already contained in the Printed Estimates of Expenditure. It is hoped this additional information will assist members of the Legislature in their review of the program's estimates.

The contents of this supplement are organized into three parts. The first part provides an overview of the Sustainable Development Innovation Fund's 2007/2008 budget requirements. The

second part provides program and financial information. Part three provides a five-year historical budget comparison.

I trust that this document will provide meaningful information and meet the needs of the users. I welcome feedback as to the usefulness of this supplementary information.

HONOURABLE STAN STRUTHERS
MINISTER OF CONSERVATION

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PART 1

FUND OVERVIEW

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND – OVERVIEW

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR *THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ACT*

HONOURABLE STAN STRUTHERS

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

In 1989, the provincial government created the Environmental Innovations Fund. This Fund was enacted under section 45.1 of *The Environment Act*, to provide financial assistance towards the development, implementation and promotion of environmental innovation projects.

In fiscal year 1992/1993, the Environmental Innovations Fund was repealed from the *Environment Act* and a new Fund, the Sustainable Development Innovations Fund (SDIF) was enacted under Section 17(1) of *The Sustainable Development Act*, which came into force on July 1, 1998. The minister responsible for *The Sustainable Development Act* is responsible for the Fund.

In fiscal year 2000/2001, responsibility for administration of the Fund was transferred to the Pollution Prevention Branch of Manitoba Conservation. Subsequently, new targeted funding initiatives and programs were established under the Fund, and new procedures were developed to ensure accountability.

PURPOSE

As stated in *The Sustainable Development Act*, 'The purpose of the Fund is to

(a) provide grants in support of innovative projects, activities, research and developments that further the sustainability of Manitoba's economy, environment, human health and social well-being and support environmentally sustainable economic growth; and

(b) support any other sustainable development innovation purpose that the Lieutenant Governor in Council considers necessary or advisable'.

The goal of the Sustainable Development Innovations Fund (SDIF) is to contribute to Manitoba's environmental sustainability. This approach takes into account the economy, the environment, human health and social well-being. The SDIF achieves its purpose through targeted funding initiatives and programs. This is implemented through an application or proposal process.

STATUTORY RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MINISTER OF CONSERVATION

The Contaminated Sites Remediation Act, C.C.S.M. chapter C 205
The Crown Lands Act, C.C.S.M. chapter C 340
[except sections 7.2(2) to 7.6 and sections 6, 7, 10, 12(1), 14, 16, 17, 18, 21, 23 and 24 to 28 both inclusive, insofar as they relate to the administration of Crown Lands which may be designated by the Minister of Conservation as agricultural Crown Lands, and the Agricultural Crown Lands Grazing and Hay Permits Regulation (Manitoba Regulation 288/88) and Agricultural Crown Land Leases Regulation (Manitoba Regulation 168/2001)]
The Dangerous Goods Handling and Transportation Act, C.C.S.M. chapter D 12
The Dutch Elm Disease Act, C.C.S.M. chapter D 107
The Ecological Reserves Act, C.C.S.M. chapter E 5
The Endangered Species Act, C.C.S.M. chapter E 111
The Environment Act, C.C.S.M. chapter E 125
The Forest Act, C.C.S.M. chapter F 150
The Manitoba Hazardous Waste Management Corporation Act, C.C.S.M. chapter H 15
The International Peace Garden Act, C.C.S.M. chapter I 70
The Manitoba Natural Resources Transfer Act, C.C.S.M. chapter N 30
[except as it relates to water and fisheries]
The Manitoba Natural Resources Transfer Act Amendment Act, C.C.S.M. chapter N 60
The Manitoba Natural Resources Transfer Act Amendment Act, 1963, C.C.S.M. chapter N 70
The Ozone Depleting Substances Act, C.C.S.M. chapter O 80
The Provincial Parks Act, C.C.S.M. chapter P 20
The Plants Pests and Diseases Act, C.C.S.M. chapter P 90
[that portion of clause 16(c) that pertains to arborists and clause 16(i)]
The Polar Bear Protection Act, C.C.S.M chapter P 94
The Property Tax and Insulation Assistance Act, C.C.S.M. chapter P 143
[Part V, and section 1 and Part VI as they relate to subjects covered under Part V]
The High-Level Radioactive Waste Act, C.C.S.M. chapter R 10
The Resource Tourism Operators Act, C.C.S.M. chapter R 119.5
The Surveys Act, C.C.S.M. chapter S 240
[Part II]
The Sustainable Development Act, C.C.S.M. chapter S 270
The Waste Reduction and Prevention Act, C.C.S.M. chapter W 40
The Wildfires Act, C.C.S.M. chapter W 128
The Wildlife Act, C.C.S.M. chapter W 130
[except that portion of clause 89(e) that applies to compensation for damage to crops caused by wildlife as it pertains to big game and migratory waterfowl]
The Wild Rice Act, C.C.S.M. chapter W 140

As per Schedule "D", Order-In-Council 404/2004

SCHEDULE 3

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND
EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
BY MAIN APPROPRIATION
UNDER ENABLING APPROPRIATIONS

	Estimates of Expenditure 2007/2008 $(000's)	Change from 2006/2007 %	Estimates of Expenditure 2006/2007 $(000's)
2. Sustainable Development Innovations Fund.....	**3,400.0**	0.0	3,400.0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND.....	**3,400.0**	0.0	3,400.0

Reconciliation Statement
$(000's)

Printed Main Estimates of Expenditure 2006/2007.....	3,400.0
Estimates of Expenditure 2006/2007 (Adjusted).....	3,400.0

SCHEDULE 4

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND
EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

ELEMENT	**Estimates of Expenditure 2007/2008 $(000's)**	Estimates of Expenditure 2006/2007 $(000's)
Other Expenditures	**3,400.0**	3,400.0
TOTAL	**3,400.0**	3,400.0

PART 2

PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Resolution No.	Approp. No.	Sustainable Development Innovations Fund (26) Details of Appropriation	**Estimates of Expenditure 2007/2008 $(000's)**	Estimates of Expenditure 2006/2007 $(000's)
26.2	2.	SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND.....	**3,400.0**	3,400.0
		Funding is provided to Municipal corporations, Northern Affairs and First Nation communities, provincial government departments, private and non-profit organizations and businesses, educational institutions, youth and community groups, in support of developing, implementing and promoting environmental sustainability initiatives. Funding is allocated to support the Fund's Open Category and Broad Allocations Category. The SDIF Open Category provides funding to projects within the following priority areas ▪ Environmental Technology Innovation and Demonstration ▪ Sustainable Community Development ▪ Northern Community Development and Environmental Issues ▪ Sustainable Agricultural Practices ▪ Ecosystem Conservation ▪ Understanding our Environment ▪ Eco-Tourism Funding is provided to the Fund's Broad Allocation Category in support of targeted funding initiatives: ▪ Environmental Youth Corps (EYC) ▪ Manitoba Climate Change Action Fund (MCCAF) ▪ Waste Reduction and Pollution Prevention (WRAPP) Fund ▪ Water Stewardship Fund (WSF) Funding is provided to the Fund's Broad Allocation Category in support of short and long-term departmental and government strategic priorities: ▪ Woodlot Program ▪ Bear Smart Program ▪ Unallocated – Other Initiatives		
		Sustainable Development Innovations Fund	**3,400.0**	3,400.0

SUB-APPROPRIATION NUMBER 26-2

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND

OBJECTIVES

The SDIF has two fund categories: an Open Fund Category and Broad Allocations Category. Both categories support Manitoba based projects or projects that will be of benefit to Manitoba and contribute to meeting the objectives of the SDIF:

1) To support and promote innovation in the environmental and sustainable development industries.
2) To encourage environmentally sound decisions and actions.
3) To promote research and demonstration of new initiatives not addressed by existing programs.
4) To stimulate economic development and diversification that will improve the quality of life, and strengthen community identity, throughout Manitoba.
5) To demonstrate new approaches to prevent waste and pollution, and conserve resources.
6) To support activities that may benefit both the global and local environment.

ACTIVITY IDENTIFICATION

The two fund categories, Open Category and Broad Allocations Category contribute towards the protection, enhancement, conservation, or rehabilitation of Manitoba's environment. The Open Category has established priority areas: environmental technology innovation and demonstration, northern community development and environmental issues; sustainable community development; sustainable agricultural practices; ecosystem conservation; understanding our environment; and eco-tourism. The Broad Allocations Category supports targeted departmental and other government strategic priorities, including:

- youth participation,
- waste reduction and prevention,
- climate change initiatives,
- water quality and conservation,
- natural resource conservation.

Funding is provided for the development, implementation and promotion of innovative environmentally sustainable projects delivered by local government and provincial government departments, industry, community and youth groups, Aboriginal organizations, First Nation communities and educational institutions.

EXPECTED RESULTS

Manitobans are the major beneficiaries of the Fund. The intended direct impact of the funded projects is on the natural environment with indirect impacts on the economy and social well-being. By supporting environmentally sound and sustainable practices, the Fund will assist with facilitating behavioral changes of individuals, households, businesses and institutions.

The expected outcomes of this program will be to:

- Increase the number and variety of environmentally sustainability initiatives in Manitoba.
- Further the sustainability of Manitoba's environment, economy, human health and social well-being.
- Protect Manitoba's environment.

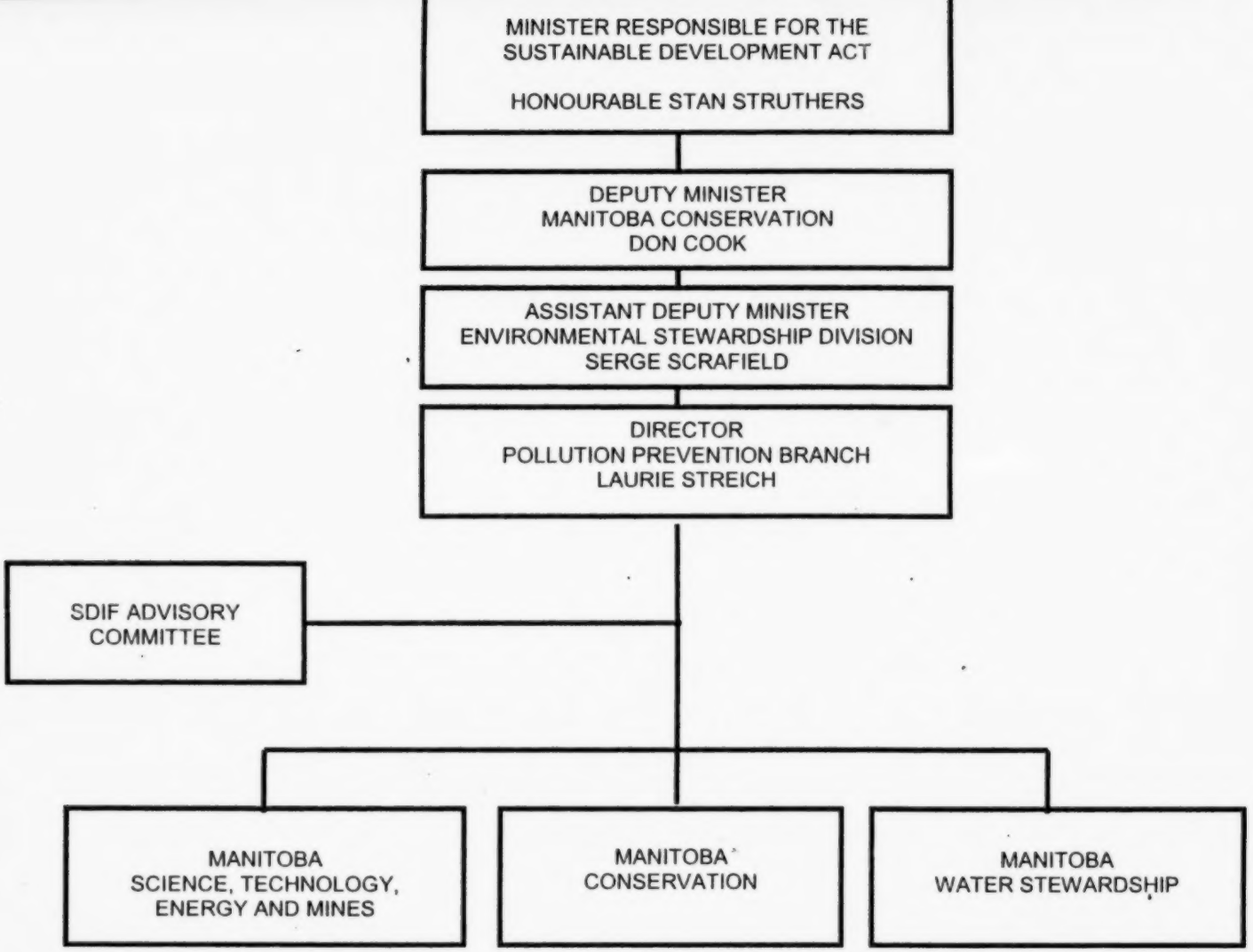
APPROPRIATION 26-2

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND

	Estimates of Expenditure 2007/2008 FTE	$(000's)	Estimates of Expenditure 2006/2007 FTE	$(000's)
OTHER EXPENDITURES				
Supplies, Services and Grant Assistance		**3,400.0**		3,400.0
Total Other Expenditures		**3,400.0**		3,400.0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION		**3,400.0**		3,400.0

SCHEDULE 2

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND
ORGANIZATION CHART
EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2007


MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ACT
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MANITOBA CONSERVATION
MANITOBA WATER STEWARDSHIP

PART 3

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND
FIVE YEAR EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
BY MAIN APPROPRIATION
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2006

	ACTUAL/ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE			ADJUSTED ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE	PRINTED ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE
	2003/04 $(000's)	2004/05 $(000's)	2005/06 $(000's)	2006/07 $(000's)	2007/08 $(000's)
Sustainable Development Innovations Fund	2,944.9	2,881.5	3,754.7	3,400.0	3,400.0
	2,944.9	2,881.5	3,754.7	3,400.0	3,400.0

Chart 1

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INNOVATIONS FUND
FIVE YEAR EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
BY MAIN APPROPRIATION
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2008